# Central Arizona Salinity Study

## Phase I Report

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#### **Acronyms and Abbreviations**

ADEQ Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

ADWR Arizona Department of Water Resources

af acre-feet

af/yr acre-feet per year

AMA Active Management Area

BLM Bureau of Land Management

BID Buckeye Irrigation District

CAGRD Central Arizona Groundwater Replenishment District

CAP Central Arizona Project

CASS Central Arizona Salinity Study

CAWCD Central Arizona Water Conservation District

cfs cubic feet per second

EIS Environmental Impact Statement

EPA Environmental Protection Agency

Forum Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum

FY fiscal year

GDP Gross Domestic Product gpcd gallons per capita per day

GRIC Gila River Indian Community

GRUSP Granite Reef Underground Storage Project

GSF Groundwater Savings Facility

MAG Maricopa Association of Governments

MDWID Metropolitan Domestic Water Improvement District

MCL maximum contaminant level

mg/L milligrams per liter

model salinity economic model

msl mean sea level

MWD Maricopa Water District (Arizona)

MWD Metropolitan Water District (California)

O&M Operation and Maintenance

PL Public Law

RID Roosevelt Irrigation District

RO Reverse Osmosis

SCIIP San Carlos Irrigation Improvement Project

SDWA Safe Drinking Water Act

SROG Sub-Regional Operating Group

SRP Salt River Project

SRPMIC Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

TC CASS Technical Committee

TDS total dissolved solids

USBR U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

USDA U.S. Department of Agriculture

USF Underground Storage Facility

USGS U.S. Geological Survey